### Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS CTC Meeting: October 27-28, 2004

**Reference No.:** 2.2a.(1)

Action Item

From: CINDY MCKIM Prepared by: Gary R. Winters

Acting Chief Financial Officer Division Chief

**Environmental Analysis** 

# Ref: SUMMARY – NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, ROUTE 70 IN PLUMAS COUNTY – REPLACE OR REHABILITATE BRIDGE NEAR QUINCY

#### **ISSUE:**

The California Transportation Commission is being asked to review and comment at the October 2004 Commission meeting on the following Notice of Preparation (NOP):

• 02-Plu-70, KP 56.5/57.1 (PM 35.1/35.5). Replace or rehabilitate the Spanish Creek Bridge near Quincy in Plumas County.

#### **PROGRAMMING:**

This project is programmed in the 2004 State Highway Operation and Protection Program for construction in Fiscal Year 2007-08. The total estimated project cost is \$32,554,000.

#### **ALTERNATIVES BEING CONSIDERED:**

- Alternative B Build new bridge and remove existing bridge
- Alternative C Rehabilitate existing bridge
- Alternative D No-build
- Withdrawn from further consideration: Alternative A Build new bridge and retain existing bridge for pedestrian use

#### **POTENTIAL SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:**

- Removal of a National Register eligible historic bridge.
- Removal of a contributing element to the National Register eligible Feather River Highway District.

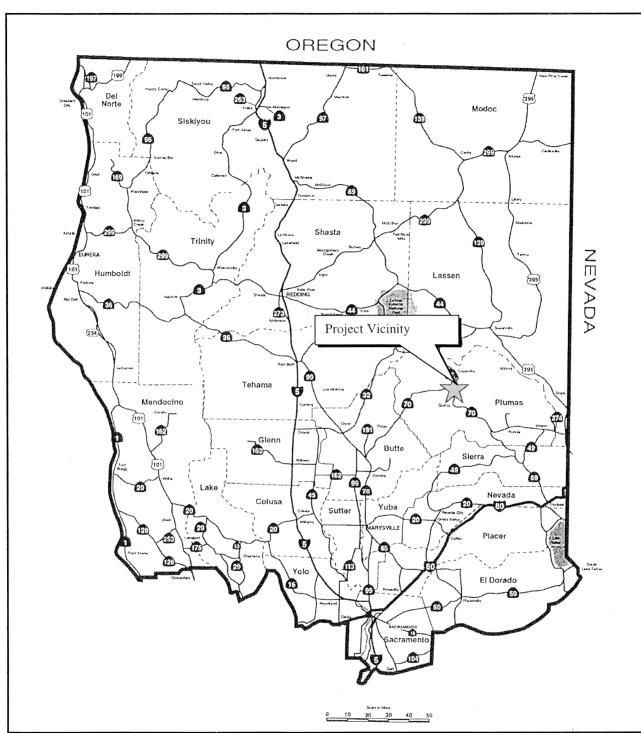
Reference No.: 2.2a.(1) October 27-28, 2004

Page 2

#### PROPOSED MEASURES TO MINIMIZE HARM:

- Water quality best management practices.
- Archival recordation of the existing bridge according to Historic American Buildings Survey/Historic American Engineering Record (HABS/HAER) standards.
- Coordination with the United States Forest Service regarding minimizing noise, dust and traffic impacts to Forest Service land.
- Possible creation of an interpretive display.
- Permit coordination with the California Department of Fish and Game.
- Permit coordination with the Army Corps of Engineers.
- Coordination with the Union Pacific Railroad Company to avoid impacts to railroad tunnel.
- Avoid or minimize construction access through the campground.
- Keep campground open during construction.

Attachment



## **Exhibit 1 Project Vicinity Map**



State of California

Department of Transportation

PLU 70-KP 56.5/57.1 (PM35.1/35.5) 02-373100



Location of proposed Spanish Creek Bridge Replacement Project

In Plumas County on State Route 70 near Keddie